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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 28, 2016

TO: Robin Brigode, Clerk of the Board

FROM: Richard Elías, District Five Supervisor 

REGARDING: Item for the April 19, 2016 agenda

Please add the following to the April 19, 2016 agenda:

Proclamation

Declaring April 29, 2016 to be "Thomas R. Brown Family Foundation Day." (District 5)

Thank you

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the programs of Literacy Connects provide learners of all ages with opportunities to realize their full potential – at school and in the workplace, as parents, as consumers, and as participants in the cultures of our community; and

WHEREAS, the programs of Literacy Connects coach children in reading so they can perform more successfully in the classroom and help adults with reading, writing, math, and English skills; and

WHEREAS, these programs encourage parents to recognize the importance of reading to their children, help young people experience the power of words and ideas through the arts, and put books in the hands of people who need them; and

WHEREAS, in the last year Literacy Connects staff members and more than 1,000 volunteers helped close to 50,000 Southern Arizonans gain and improve their skills in these critical areas; and

WHEREAS, Literacy Connects continues to work with limited funds at its facility located at 200 East Yavapai Road so it can better serve its clients; and

WHEREAS, the Thomas R. Brown Family Foundation recently provided Literacy Connects with a generous financial contribution that has enabled it to repave its parking lot and renovate three spaces for classrooms; and

WHEREAS, these improvements will enable Literacy Connects to increase its services by offering more English and literacy classes for adults, and to launch Family Reading Nights, intergenerational nights of food, family, fun and reading;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the Thomas R. Brown Family Foundation for its gift to Literacy Connects, a fulfillment of its mission to “raise the quality of life for present and future generations,” by proclaiming Friday, April 29, 2016, to be:

“THOMAS R. BROWN FAMILY FOUNDATION DAY”

and urges everyone on that day to help celebrate the improvements at Literacy Connects during its Open House Celebration from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of April 2016.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Robin Brigode, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors